



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/748,886 Confirmation No. 1408
Applicant : N. KASAKO et al
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Title : REMOTE STORAGE DISK CONTROL DEVICE AND METHOD
FOR CONTROLLING THE SAME
TC/AU : 2187
Examiner : Peugh, B.
Docket No. : H-1215
Customer No.: 24956
Commissioner for Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and appropriate fee accompanies this response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks / Arguments begin on page 38 of this paper.